## THE USE OF BEER IN ENGLAND.

Let all our readers reflect on the following estimate of the amount of beer used and manufactured in England. Think of the diseases thereby contracted—of the fights, riots, quarrels, crimes and assaults committed through its use! If the barley used to make this beverage of the poor of England was ground up to feed them in the shape of oat-meal or barley bread or to feed their cattle would it be less useful? Would the social position of the English Irish and Scotch poor or laboring classes be worse if no beer were drunk? Would the people be less intellectual or able to work—the children worse clad-wives less happy-homes less comfortable -and crimes less frequent if no beer was drunk? Who would hesitate to answer in the negative? None. They know it is expensive and that it thickens the blood and dulls the intellect. What a vast amount of money could the poor classes save, if they could only be made to believe, that it was much more useful to lay by their savings for educating their children and making their homes comfortable or increasing their own intelligence!! Why do men drink that which intoxicates the mind for a little excitement? Why excite the senses by a useless beverage for an hour, that they may repent at leisure the next day? Are not the streams of water of Britain Canada and America clean and pure, as well as abundant? Does not the cow yield her delicious milk-and can we not drink our tea or coffee, none of which will intoxicate, and all of which are convenient and believed to be useful in their effects?

Brewers and Victuallers.—From a return given by order of the House of Commons, it appears that in England the number of brewers is 2281, and of victuallers 59,676. 35,808 persons are licensed to sell beer to be drunk on their premises, and 3350 are licensed to sell beer not to be drunk on the premises. 25,851 victuallers brew their own beer, are licensed to sell it if drunk on the premises. The amount of malt consumed by each class is in bushels, as follows:—Brewers, 17,800,638; victuallers, 7,154,519; persons licensed to sell beer not to be drunk on the premises, 341,868. In Scotland there are 151 brewers, and 14,971 victuallers, 178 of whom brew their own beer. The brewers consume 118,024 bushels of malt, and the victuallers consume 118,024 bushels. There are ninety-five brewers in Ireland, who consume 1,164,702 bushels of malt, and there are 13'793 victuallers.

We cut the following paragraph from the Toronto correspondent of the Montreal Pilot .—

I have just learned from a sure source, that in one article of manufacture this section of the Province has during the last year signally sustained her pretensions to progress over Lower Canada. The following are the figures:—

The Lower Canadians will not dispute the superiority of this section of the province in manufacturing a greater quantity of Whiskey, nor do they envy, we should suppose, the effects its consumption produces amongst its inhabitants. The result of which is a constant increase of murders and other crimes, which are comparatively unknown in the Lower Province.

FIFTH NATIONAL JUBILEE
OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF NORTH AMERICA.

COMMITTEE ROOM, TORONTO, May 21st, 1851.
OFFICERS AND BROTHERS,—

On behalf of the Joint Committee of Arrangements, appointed by the several Divisions in this City, we, with pleasure inform you, that a Grand Public Festival, or Celebration of our Order, will be held in Toronto, on Wednesday, 18th day of June next, to which we most cordially invite your attendance.

The NATIONAL DIVISION OF NORTH AMERICA will assemble in Annual Session on the 17th, the Officers and Members of which will remain and unite with the Grand Division of C. W; the Grand Union of the Daughters of Temperance of C. W.; and the Grand Section of the Cadets of Temperance of C. W., in the general Festivities of the 18th,

This will be the largest meeting of the Order ever held in the British Provinces of North America; and it is confidently anticipated that the arrangements for the occasion are such as shall reflect honor upon the Order, and afford pleasure and satisfaction to all who may participate there-

The Members of the Order, here and elsewhere in United Canada, are particularly desirous of meeting their American Brethren, of the United States, as also those of the other Entish Provinces, at this Festival, in order that they may extend to them the hand of friendship and regard, and unite with them in fraternal communion on the Canadian shores of old Ontaric.

The following distinguished speakers, and other members of the Order, have been specially invited, and are expected to be present:—Daniel H. Sands. P.M.W.P., and John W. Oliver, M.W. P., New York; Samuel F. Cary, P.M.W.P., Ohio; Philip S. White, P.M.W.P., Frederick A. Frickard, M.W.S., and James B. Wood, M.W. T., Pennsylvania; Isaac Litton, M.W.A., Tenrossee; Andrew L. Stone, M.W. Chaplain, Connecticut; Samuel L. Tilley, M.W.Con., and Asa Coy, P.G. W.P., New Brunswick; James H. Enniss, M.W. Sent., North Carolina; W. A. White, P.G.W.P., Massachusetts; and Hon. J. W. Johnston, G.W.P., Nova Scotia; J. L. McDonald, P.G.W.P., W. S. Burnham, G.W.P., and W. H. Ellerbeck, G.S., Canada West.

The proprietors of the under mentioned Steamboats, have contreously consented to convey brethren to and from the Festival at half the usual fare: viz., Steamers "Passport," "Magnet," "Princess Royal," from Kingston to Toronto, calling at Cobourg, Port Hope, Darlington, and Hamilton, daily; Steamer "Admiral," from Rochester to Toronto, calling at Cobourg, Port Hope, Darlington, Oshawa, and Whitby; Steamer "City of Hamilton," from Hamilton to Toronto, calling at Wellington Square, Oakville, and Port Credit, and vice versa, daily. On all these boats, passengers, by paying full fare to Toronto, will be upplied with free return tickets. Steamers "City of Toronto," and "Cnief Justice Robinson," running between Toronto and Lewiston, daily, and Steamer "Mazeppa," between Toronto and St. Catharines, daily, have reduced their fare to 2s 6d Deck, and 5s Cabin, each way.

The Committee of Management are also making arrangements with the keepers of Hotels, and Private Lodging Houses, for the entertainment of visitors at the usual charges.

Members of the Order coming into the City by Dundas Street, will please report themselves at Coldstream Division Room, Queen Street; those by Kingston Roal, at Toronto Division Room, over Mr. Hamilton's Paint Store, Church Street; those by Yonge Street, at York Division Room, for dealing with the property of confirmed drunk-

Yorkville; and those by Steamers, at Ontario Division Room, Temperance Street; where the respective Sections of the Order will form four deep, at 10 o'clock, A.M., and march to King Street, opposite the St. Lawrence Hall, and join the Procession, which will form at 11 o'clock, A.M., precisely.

Members of the Order are respectfully requested to bring their appropriate Regalia.

PUBLIC MEETINGS will be held on the evening of the 18th, in St. Lawrence Hall, Temperance Hall, and Hall of Toronto Division, Church Street, at 7 o'clock, P.M.,

COMMITTEE.

R. J. OLIVER, C. L. EASTWOOD, P. McPHAIL, A. SPEERS.

JOHN M. ROSS, Secretary,
JOINT COMMITTEE.

## TEMPERANCE DEMONSTRATION OF ALL NATIONS.

It is proposed to take advantage of the approacning Exhibition in the metropolis of Great Britain, to advance the principles of Temperance, and we perceive by recent exchanges, that a conference was held at Lower Exeter Hall, London, on the 7th March, for the purpose of devising means and adopting arrangements for a "Temperance Demonstration of all Nations," under the management of the London Teetotalers. It is expected that 10,000 Teetotalers will attend from the Midland Counties on the 2rd and 4th of August; and the week commencing 4th August has accordingly been fixed upon, for the Exhibition. Among other suggestions offered at the Conference, the following were prominent, viz., a welcome meeting in Exeter Hall given by the London Teetotalers to their brethren from a distance on Monday evening, August 4th; visit en masse to the Industrial Exhibition on Tuesday; Public Breakfast and grand open-air Demonstration in the Regents' Park Gardens or elsewhere, to adopt and present a memorial to the Queen, on Wednesday; visit to the Exhibition, and a Juvenile gathering in Exeter Hall on Thursday; a Steamboat excursion on a magnificent scale on Friday. A World's Convention on the 11th and 12th, and a weekly model meeting every week during the Exhibition. The estimated cost of the programme is £300 to £350, and subscriptions to the amount of £80 were announced at the close of the Conference.

The Standard of Freedom contains a communication, in which the writer recommends a series of public meetings, to be addressed by speakers who will be in London, and the sale of suitable tracts at very low prices.—Temperance Telegraph.

## LEGISLATION ON THE LICENSE LAWS.

It will be seen by the subjoined Communication of Ex-Attorney General Johnson, of Nova Scotia, that the License question has been under discussion in the Legislature of the sister Province, and that the House of Assembly passed some enactments favorable to the views of our Teetotal Brethren, one of which was rejected by the Legislative Council, who have thus set themselves in opposition to the wishes of the people and the general interests of the Country. The report of the Committee to which reference is made, states that Petitions were before the House for the incorporation of Grand and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance; for the enactments of laws making persons engaged in the liquor traffic responsible civilly and criminally for the consequences that may ensue; and for dealing with the property of confirmed drunk.